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(*d*) whether the policy of the Government in this matter of war service appointments (regarding credit being given for the period of war service) is the same as that of the Government of India; and

(*e*) whether any representations have been received in 1951 or 1952 from such appointees requesting for a fair deal; and if so, what orders have been passed thereon?

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR:—"(*a*) Twenty-six war service appointees are now serving as District Munsifs in this State.

"(*b*) None. They will be confirmed in due course in vacancies reserved for the purpose after their seniors in service are confirmed.

"(*c*) The war service of these candidates is taken into consideration for fixing their initial pay and pension.

"(*d*) The policy laid down in 1945 by the Government of India was to give credit for the period of war service rendered in matters of seniority, fixation of initial pay and pension of the war service candidates. At present the policy of the Madras Government is to give credit to war service only for fixation of initial pay and pension.

"(*e*) One of the District Munsifs has made certain representations and it is under consideration."

Scholarships to Harijan students of Malabar.

* 996 *Q.*—SRI E. T. KUNHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of Harijan students from Malabar to whom scholarships were allowed by the Government in 1952–53;

(*b*) the number of applications for the same; and

(*c*) the total amount disbursed in Malabar during the year 1952–53 on this account?

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO:—"(*a*) Five hundred and ninety-three students.

"(*b*) One thousand seven hundred and ninety-five applications.

"(*c*) Rupees 19,159–3–0."

Famine works in Nellore district.

* 997 *Q.*—SRI B. RAMAKRISHNA REDDI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any famine works were sanctioned in Nellore district in 1952–53;

(*b*) if so, in which taluks and the amounts sanctioned to each taluk; and

(*c*) the schemes that were proposed in each taluk and the amounts spent till now?

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THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a) Nine road works were sanctioned and executed in the Nellore district in 1952–53.

" (b) & (c) The taluks in which the works were sanctioned, the amount sanctioned and the amount spent are as follows :—

Taluk.	Amount sanctioned.	Amount spent.
	RS.	RS.
1. Podili	50,000	50,000
2. Darsi	1,07,000	1,00,000
3. Kanigiri	1,09,000	84,000
4. Udayagiri—Kanigiri taluks.	40,000	25,000
5. Kandukur	60,000	60,000 "

Grant to Madras Corporation.

* 998 Q.—SRI S. PAKKIRISWAMI PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether the Government have denied provision in the Budget of enough grants to the Corporation of Madras for carrying on a number of sewering schemes in the city?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The answer is in the negative."

Dearness allowance to officers.

* 999 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the annual expenditure to the State by the payment of dearness allowance to officers in receipt of salaries of Rs. 500 (rupees five hundred) and over, for years 1951–52 and 1952–53?

THE HON SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The expenditure incurred on the payment of dearness allowance to oficers drawing a pay of Rs. 500 and over was Rs. 11·09 lakhs in 1951–52 and Rs. 10·81 lakhs in 1952–53."

Representation by the Kolkarans of Kottayam taluk.

* 1000 Q.—SRI C. H. KANARAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government received any memorandum from the Kolkarans of all amsams of Kottayam taluk, North Malabar, through the Collector of Malabar regarding their demands, viz., increase in the scale of pay, allowances, etc.; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken by the Government?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a) Kolkarans of all amsams in Kottayam taluk submitted a petition, dated 7th August 1952, to the Secretary, Board of